Interference, He Says, Scared Off Abductors and Recovery Was Balked

NIGHT VIGIL IN VAIN

Missouri Man, Near Crazed, Now Fears Kidnappers Will Kill or Mutilate Baby

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., June 1. Craxed with grief and anxiety over the Springfield millionaire and retired banker, today flames friends for his failure to re-cover the baby from abductors last night. Following directions, he stole away in the height of a raging wind and rain storm. In his automobile, to meet the kidnappers at some spot near Springfield. With him

carried the \$6000 ransom demanded by a abductors for the safe return of the urtequementh-old onlid. Before leaving Keet asked his friends not to attempt to follow him. The letter from the kidnappers stated that, alone, he must delve down a certain country road, where, if convinced of his good faith, an agent of the kidnappers would present himself. Once the money was paid Keet would be informed where he could find his baby.

FRIENDS FOLLOWED Fearing Keet would meet with foul play lends followed him almost continuously through the night. In desperation he cir-cled, doubled back on his trail and shot his car, at breakneck speed through toricats which gushed down the hillsides. But the kidnappers, fearing capture or the double-cross, did not appear at the sug-

Tired and worn, he returned to his home this morning, a beaten, broken man. Throughout the morning he tossed on his bed, while Mrs. Keet whose eyes have not closed in sleep since the baby was stolen Wednesday night, paced the floor in desonate. Until today the mother maintained her composure, positive that her boy would be returned to her before another day had

passed. Since her husband's failurs to find the abductors she has been bordering on Friends and relatives have been barred on the home and the curtains are drawn. Pearing that the kidnappers will carry out their threat to mutilate or kill the baby if an attempt is made to discover their iden-

tity, the Keets are almost desperate in their efforts to shun attempts of friends to offer assistance. Associates stated that Keet was preparing to take up his search for the boy again tonight. The ransom money has not been returned to the bank, and police foar others, knowing of the circumstances, may pose as the reat kidnappers or attack the

STRANGE KIDNAPPING

Rect, who is thirty-five years old, until recently was vice president of the Holland Bankling Company. He resigned to devote Bahking Company.

In the management of a large estate, valued at half a million, left him by his mother.

Mrs. Keet is twenty-eight years old and

one of the leaders in Springfield society.

The kidnapping of the child took place under mysterious circumstances.

Mr. and Mrs. Keet were attending a dance ar, and Mrs. Keet were attending a dame at the Springfield Country Club. The baby was left at home with a nurse who had been in he employ of the family seven years and a maid employed for two years. Another boy, four years old, was sleeping with the kidnapped baby. He was not awakened by the abductors and neither of the other occupants of the house noticed any disturbance. The letter, which is the only clue of the

Twining Asks Passage of Transit Measures

insignificent as compared with the comto pay the company a fixed and cumution to pay the company a fi

LEASE ON DIFFERENT LINES The lease is to be drawn and effered to the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, it should be drawn on radically different lines. In order that the report which I submitted on March 29, 1917, might not be confined to merely destructive criticism. I embodied in that report—on pages 18 and 19—eleven essential features upon which a fair contract between the city and the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company may be based. These features are as follows:

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Pirst. The company shall, if possible, adopt a program which will ultimately effect a readjustment of its finances by refunding or other approved means, and that the city shall readjust its program of constantion so as to bring the estimated deficit within reasonable limits.

Second. The city shall not guarantee company's system as to capitaliza-on, management or operating results by any way, either directly or indirectly

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Three. As the gross and net earnings of both the city's and the company's systems fluctuate from year to year and depend upon factors beyond the city's control, any payment to the company for its co-operation should not be based on gross, but of diverted earnings of either system, but should be, if at all a payment based on the extent to which the company really co-operates in the city's program, and in determining its amount the city shall recognize the company obligation to be responsible for the result of capital investment in the rapid transit fauilities at a normal rate.

Fourth. The payment or fee to the

Fourth. The payment or fee to the company for acting as manager or operator of the city's system shall not exceed the amount which would be paid for the same service under independent operation, and preferably graded and proportional to the relative gross earnings of the two systems.

the two systems.

Fifth The city's system shall be operated for the city's benefit. Physically the company's and the city's systems may be operated as a unit, but financially they soust be kept separate, each system to count as its earnings whatever cash it receives on its lips—it may be assumed that the transfer will balance each other. CITY-OWNED SYSTEM

Bixth. The city may equip as well as build its own high-speed lines, thus owning outright its own system complete. This provision is not a necessity if the company will furnish the equipment outfall terms; but it will obviate any necessity for the company to make use of the city a guarantee on its operating results in order to finance the equipment of the city's lines. It also makes it possible for the city's lines. It also makes it possible for the city's lines. It also makes it possible for the city's lines. It also makes it possible for the city's lines. It also makes it possible for the city's lines. It also makes it possible for the city is to take over a completely equipped system if it about decide to re-

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STUDENTS IN ANTI-DRAFT ROUND-UP



Two Columbia University students, Owen Cattell, son of Professor J. McKay Cattell, and Charles F. Phillips and Miss Eleanor Wilson Parker, a telephone operator, have been arrested in New York by Secret Service agents, charged with conspiracy in connection with anti-draft propaganda. Right to left are a Secret Service agent, Miss Parker and

city's capital is treated as well as the

Tenth. The contract of 1907 to be modified as little as may be necessary to correspond with conditions of this contract. Payments now due the city thereunder not to be abated or modified. The company to cancel all claims on uncarned and unpaid dividends cumulative since 1907, and change date so that 6 per cent dividends may be cumulative from date of the contract.

Second, The term of the contract shall be fifty years or preferably of indeter-minate length, with pravision that the

minate length, with prevented that the city may recapture either its own system, or hoth systems, at any time, after the notice upon stated terms.

"These suggestions aim to prevent the company from placing on either the taxes or the fare any burden not due directly to the city's program, and to prevent the companying upon the city's program, and to prevent the companying upone the city's regular for its unitary time. panying using the city's credit for its pri-

wate advantage."

The Director used charts and lantern slides to drive home his points.

Three developments of the first importance today marked the city's effort to undo ance today marked the city's effort to undo
the transit taugis. These were an announcement of a referenum vote by the full membership of the Chamber of Commerce on
the Transit Company's lease proposal; a
conference between city representatives and
officials of the company upon the four
transit bills pending in the Legislature, and
the third public before Councils' Committee.

The conference on the pending legislative
measures was the most significant of the

The letter, which is the only clue of the abduction, who addressed to "Mr. Helland Koeff"—It was in a large square brown envelope and was malled in the public square about 6 o'clock yesterday morning. It bore no identifying mark. The contents except that a threat was made to mutilate the body of the child if the ranom was not paid immediately, were not divulged by Keef.

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IN TWINING'S OFFICE
Contrary to the usual custom, it was
held in Director Twining's office. Those
present for the company were E. T. StotesBiry, chalman of the board of directors; Thomas E Mitten, president; Ellis Ames Ballard, chief counsel; and A L Drumm-conssiting engineer. The city was repre-sented by Director Twining, William Draper

sented by Director Twining, William Draper Lewis, legal transit adviser of the admin-litration, and Joseph P. Gaffney, chairman of Councils' Finance Committee.

Except for Mr. Gaffney, who said 'satis-factory progress was made,' none of the conferoes would discuss what took place during the two hours they were closeted in the Director's private office.

MAYOR DETERMINED

Mayor Smith is determined that the posttion of the company upon the pending bills shall be threshed out thoroughly before next Thursday, when the Senate Judiciary General Committee, which has them under mulderation, will meet to take action upon

Senator McNichol, although plainly in-Senator McNichol, although plainly indicating his opposition to the measures at
the hearing had Tuesday in Harrisburg,
made the suggestion that the city and
the company get tegether. If this cannot
be done, it is likely that the Mayor will
notify the committee that offering to recalle differences over the bills failed and
accordingly he will urge that the Legislature pass the measures.

Today's assume any only the first of the

Today's seeman was only the first of the eries of conferences to be held between his time and next Thursday, it was announced after the conferees left the direct or's office. When the next conference will a called has not been decided as yet. The declaration of the Mayor on Wedpesday that the city had reached a point where it was found impossible to keep the promises to the public and give them all that was anticipated for a five-cent fare, it vas intimated yesterday, might be followed by the announcement soon of a six-cent fare proposition, with universal free transfers

or a limited number of years. None of those identified with the transiclan is willing to come out and face the pub-ic in this matter in view of the promises which have been made, but it was declared positively that this or a similar plan was in the minds of many. Colonel Potter origi-nally suggested a seven-cent or at teast an advanced fare on the city-built lines meet the situation.

Three American Ships Sunk by Submarines

Contined from Page One ton, seaman, Chicago; Harry Tone, steward, Colorado; Mrs. F. E. Laury, assistant navi-gator, and Thomas Stoker, first mate.

SINKING OF CARGO SHIP FROM U. S. CONFIRMED

BALTIMORE, June 1.—A report that the Johnston Line steamship Jessemore, which sailed from this port May 4 with cargo for Liverpool, had become a victim of German submarines was corroborated today by the Robert Bamsay Company, agents of the steamship at this port. The information also said that Captain Hignert and all hands were saved. As it would take the barred zone, she was sunk approximately about May 16, if the attack occurred when she was outward bound.

Captain A. W. Hignett formerly of the

Captain A. W. Hignett, formerly of the Querumore, was in command. In the crew was N. D. Denthorne, of the United States, who was a seaman. The others were of several astionalities, with Englishmen in the majority.

Italian Offensives Pushed in Two Theatres of War

I'N two distinct theatres of war the Italians' are now pressing of-

On the Isonzo-Carso front, where General Cadorna began a furious drive two weeks ago, the net result to date has been the occupation of important positions, both north and south of Gorizia, and the inflicting of heavy losses on the Austrians, estimated at 300,000. The Italian osses have not been given.

The new encircling movement in-augurated by Italian forces operating in Albania has already gained four towns on the Avlona-Monastir line. The French, occupying the eastern end of this line, have opened a big bombardment, and a general Allied advance is believed imminent.

Russian Offensive Opens on Riga Front

in the Balkans will be very seriously men aced. The French have begun to bombard the Austrian, Bulgarian and German lines around Monastir, which may be the prelude to an infantry advance.

A massed counter-attach thrown in force against newly won Italian positions on heights 592 and 852 in the Voltice sector was thrown back and completely repulsed, the Italian War tiffice asserted today. Heavy losses were inflicted on the enemy In the northern Carso and around Gorigia ousiderable fighting activity was reported Italy's great offensive has already cost

rians 200,000 to the Austrians 200,000 in killed, wounded and missing, according to conservative estimates. The Italians are now consolidating re-enforcing their lines with new troops and refortifying positions, but continue to thiflet frightful losses on the enemy by repeling countiess counter-attacks.

From semiofficial sources these instances were obtained today illustrating the tremendous losses of the enemy's forces:

On May 19, four divisions (approximately 60,000 troops), which vainly defended posi-

tions between Ausza and the Vippacco, were

tions between Augga and the Vippacco, were virtually wiped out.
On the next day two desperate attempts to recapture positions in the Vodice sector and around San Marco cost the Austrians at least three full regiments (nearly 2000)

men).

Front dispatches today declared these vast losses and the incomean pounding of Italian and Eritish guns had achieved a telling effect on the enemy. Prisoners told of exhainted regiments and loss of morate. General Cadorna called a half in his advance today to permit bringing up of new supplies and preparation for further attacks. It was stated that the Italians now hope to take Trieste with the smallest amount of destruction possible to that historia city. The guns of allied warships in the guaf will not be directed on the city if it is possible to avoid it. Trieste's occupation is now considered only a question of weeks.

Reports received tiday declared that the continued Italian success had created vast depression in Bohemia, where there have been numerous food riots and demonstrations against the dual monarchy's grip.

BERLIN REPORTS BIG GUN ACTIVITY IN FLANDERS

BERLIN, June 1 There is intense artillery activity along the battle front in Relgium, the German

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Dreer 714-16 Chestnut

War Office announced today. The fighting reported today where, following a bombard-ment on the Alime front this week, advancing french infantry found six entire Geroff of the dunes on the North Sea coast, and in the sector of Wytschaete and the Ypres bend.

The German official statement today hears out previous reports of increasing activity along the west Flanders front, indicating the Germans may be making preparations for another Channel drive.

BRITISH RAIDERS STORM WEST FRONT TRENCHES

By WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS WITH THE BRITISH ABMIES IN THE FIELD, June 1.

British forces reached a third-line Geran trench in a night raid near Loos early this morning

West of Cherisy another raiding party stormed and occupied two enemy posts. At

FRENCH FLING BACK FOE'S ATTACKS IN TWO SECTORS

Violent German counter-attacks by ar-illery and infantry were repulsed in two ectors of the French front, today's official sectors of the French from Suay's challenger attatement declared.

In the region of Moulin Laffaux, Californie Plateau and Chevreux wood the enemy artillery kept up a hombardment of the French front lines through most of the

West of Cerny, south of Loivre and around the Casque, the War Office said, bearing attacks were checked by the French punite. South of Chevroux French raiders

Moulin Laffaux, the Californie Plateau and the Chevreux wood all lie to the south of Laun and in a section of Champiane where the French made some of the greatest gains in the recent offensive. Cerny is in the same section, lying slightly west of Craome Chevreux is east of Craome Still farther east is Loivre and the hill known as the Casque.

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75,000 PRISONERS TAKEN

molished bombproofs. This was in the wood south of Chevreux.

BRITISH LABOR TO SEND MISSION TO PETROGRAD

LONDON, June 1.

Leaders of the British Labor party today decided to send a deputation to Petrograd to confer with Russian Socialists, this committee to stop at Stockholm en routs for possible consultation with other Socialists called upon by the Russians to attend an international peace conference.

Woman Who Aided Draft Is Shot

Contined from Page One

lackers who run away.

TEACHINGS OF BRYAN BLOSSOM IN SLACKERS

NEW YORK, June 1. Swift developments in the nation-wide campaign of the Department of Justice against anti-militarism, pacifists and mer-cenary agitators advocating resistance to

ditious anti-conscription literature ditious anti-conscription literature last night at the Madison Square Garden peace meeting will be arraigned today in United States Court. Further arrests of speakers and prime movers of the meeting, which was held under the ausnices of the "first American conference for democracy and terms of peace" are considered probable.

A full transcript of all of the speeches and proceedings in which conscription was

and proceedings in which conscription was violently denounced was forwarded to the Department of Justice. Three stenographers were present at the meeting last bight Assistant United States District Attorney Agents of the Department of Justice were investigating further the activities of the Collegiate Anti-Militarism League with which Eleanor Wilson Packer, a Barnard

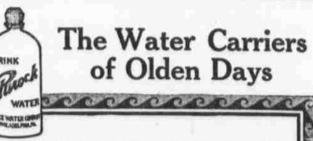
College senior, and Owen Cattell are Charles Francis Phillips, Columbia Univer-sity students, were affiliated. By HENRY WOOD

WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES IN THE
FIELD, June I
Between April 15 and May 24 French
forces took 31,829 German prisoners, according to headquarters lists today,
Added to the total of enemy troops capired by the British and Italians, headquarrs estimated today that more the

tured by the Eritish and Italians, headquar-ters estimated today that more than 75,999 prisoners have been taken in the three great offensives on the western front.

The enemy's losses in killed and wounded have been even more staggering. Cases con-tinually come to ligh, of whole units hav-ling been wised out of existence, time was

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One of the circulars depicted a man stand-ing in front of cannon tearing up a piece of paper bearing the word "conscription." To "laise teachings of a group of Co-

To "false tendings of a group of Co-tumbia University professors." Edward C. Parker, Asbury Park Hotel proprietor, father of Miss Parker, attributed her ac-tivity in the anti-conscription league. Miss Parker, who is but ninoteen, is a descendant of one of the signers of the Declaration

Independence. Her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Wood, with

"My granddaughter is not mature enough to know what she is doing."

PENN STUDENT SOUGHT AS CONSCRIPTION FOE

Provest Smith, of the University of Penn sylvania, today started an investigation is determine whether any students are identi-fied with the activities of the Collegial Astimilitation League, which conducts a prepagands against military training, espe-sitive in colleges.

west of Cheriny another raiding party atormed and occupied two enemy position. At the moment this is dispatched they were tenactously holding this position, despite enemy counter-attacks.

Besidus these two local engagements there was a stiff fight for a time during the night when a British raiding party in the Scarpe Valley met a strong German parted force.

Over the rest of the front, however, it was "quief"—nothing but intermittent artitley fring and desurdory popping of rifes, Early feday there was more than usual aerial activity. British airmen declare further investigation reveals the increasing framility of the German fighting planes. The motostrophene and to complete aerial enpire, and of the country may know the definition force incomplete aerial enpire, and of the country may know the definite hydracs.

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which he described as "Fether replied that she was more concerned about the low literary standard of the contributions than about their profaulty, surrillty or immorality. She declared that "War" would

The articles Professor Noal objected to necluded one purporting to be a letter ad-freed to E. Ealth Chenes, with refer-tice to life at the Platisburg military vanings camp. An article signed 'E. R. C.' assailed morality of barracks life. It was whed "A Hint to Mother

ATLANTIC CITY, June 1 .- Philadelphia experts today enthusiastically supported a

resolution adopted by the annual convention of the American Laryngological, Rhinolog. ical and Otological Society calling for a division of specialists in the medical re-

The convention's plea, which will go at oce to the surgeon generals of the army and mayy, recommends that the eye, ear, nose and threat specialists be employed, as nose and throat specialists be employed, as far as possible, in the lines of their specialities. The resolution suggests establishment of a number of base hospitals levoted to injuries of the head and air arrages and diseases of the eye, ear, nose mi threat contracted in service.

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